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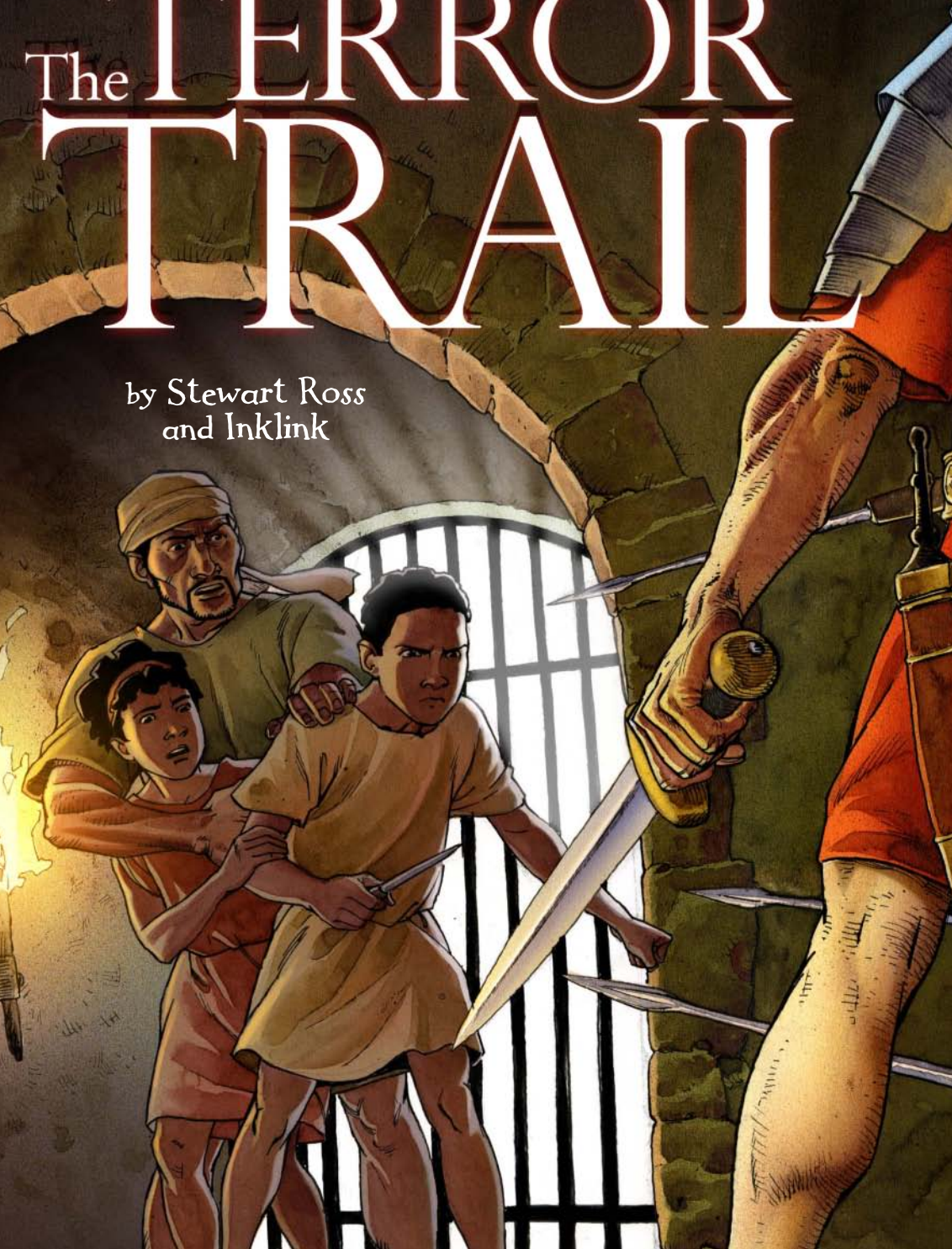


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The TERROR TRAIL

by Stewart Ross
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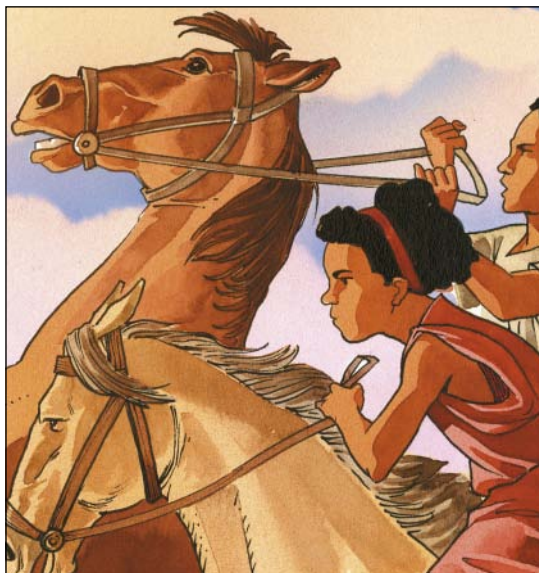
READERS



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THE TERROR TRAIL

Sabina and Publius's story takes place nearly 2,000 years ago at the time of the Roman Empire. It is the year 145 CE and Antoninus Pius is emperor. Rome has conquered many lands. Antoninus Pius and the powerful Roman army are determined to stop any rebellions, such as those occurring in North Africa. Turn to page 42 to see a map and timeline, and then let the story begin....



"MY NAME IS SABINA and this is my brother Publius. I am 11 years old and my brother is a year younger. Publius and I enjoy riding horses and like to race each other. I usually win! We live in Mauretania in North Africa with our father Juba. His time as a foreign soldier in the Roman army is just ending, and he is to be rewarded by becoming a citizen of Rome. But our hopes of a quiet life with father seem over. We have just heard that the mighty Roman army is marching on our village...."



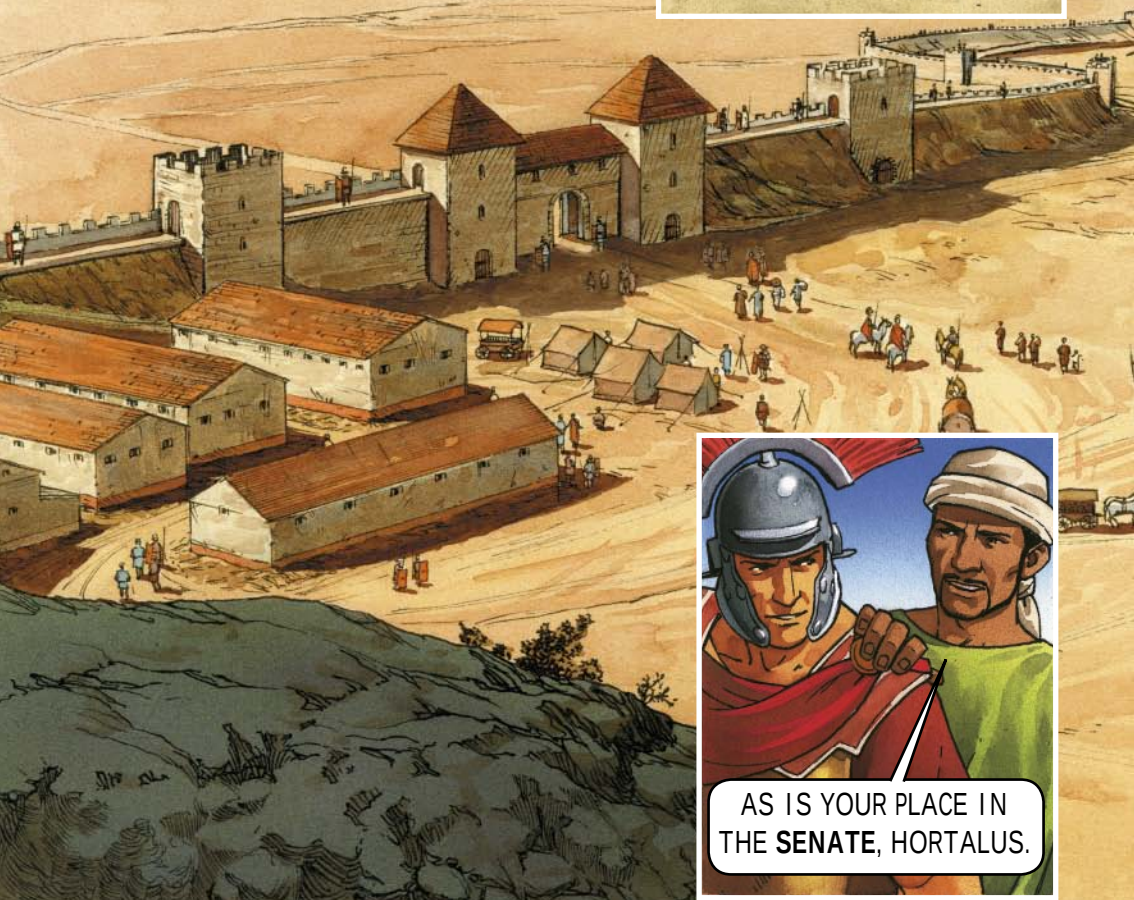
THE ROMAN **FORT**
AT SITIFIS,
MAURETANIA.



YOU HAVE SERVED
ROME WELL, JUBA.



YOUR **CITIZENSHIP** IS
WELL DESERVED.



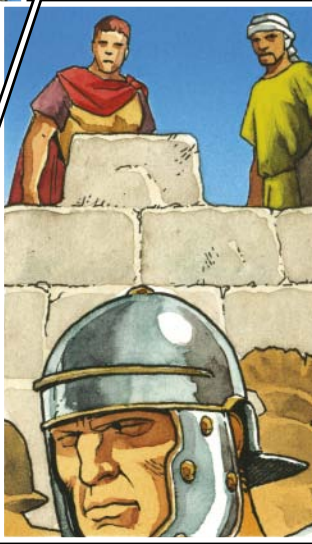
AS IS YOUR PLACE IN
THE **SENATE**, HORTALUS.



...BUT THE FIGHTING CONTINUES HERE IN MAURETANIA.

ROMAN ATTACKS ON **REBELS** ARE GETTING HARSHER.

OUR TIME IN THE **ROMAN ARMY** MAY BE AT AN END...



YOUR CHILDREN LIVE IN A VILLAGE NEARBY DON'T THEY, JUBA?



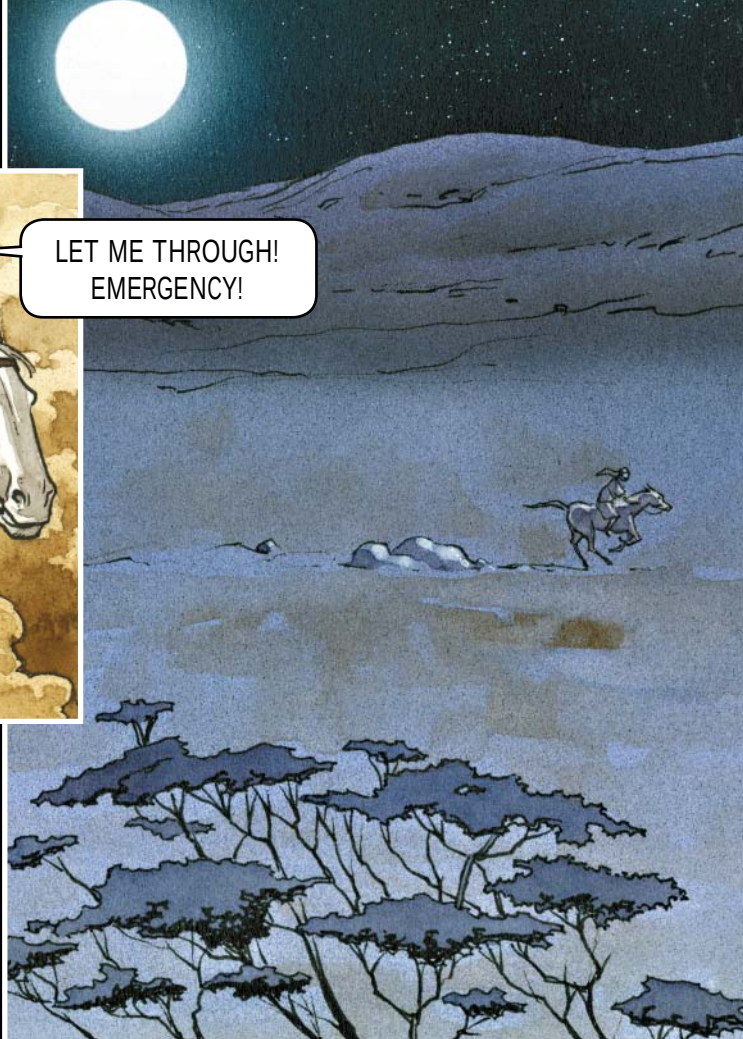
YES, SABINA AND PUBLIUS.



I WARN YOU, JUBA, AS A FRIEND, GET THEM OUT OF HERE—FAST!



LET ME THROUGH!
EMERGENCY!



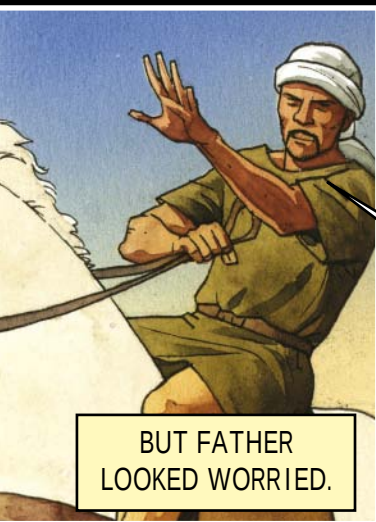
THANK GOODNESS.
I'M NOT TOO LATE!



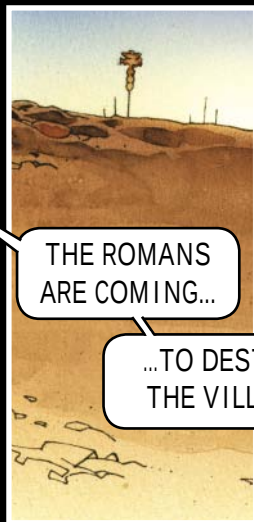
IT'S FATHER!



RACE YOU
TO HIM!



BUT FATHER
LOOKED WORRIED.



THE ROMANS
ARE COMING...

...TO DESTROY
THE VILLAGE!



WE'VE VERY
LITTLE TIME.

LISTEN, CHILDREN.
I'M A CITIZEN OF
ROME NOW.



I'LL TALK
TO THEIR
COMMANDER.



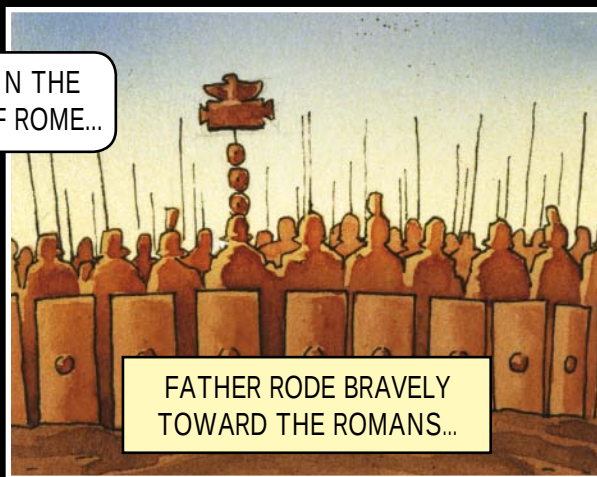
HE'LL LISTEN TO
A FELLOW ROMAN.

WHATEVER HAPPENS,
ROME WILL PROTECT US!





HAIL! IN THE
NAME OF ROME...



FATHER RODE BRAVELY
TOWARD THE ROMANS...



READY!

TAKE AIM!



SHOOT!



URGHHH!

THEY'VE SHOT
JUBA!



FATHER!



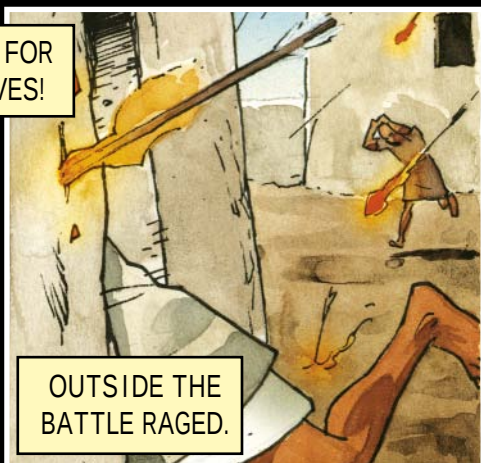
CHILDREN, GET
INSIDE!



WE RAN FOR
OUR LIVES!



OUTSIDE THE
BATTLE RAGED.



OUR PEOPLE FOUGHT
BRAVELY...



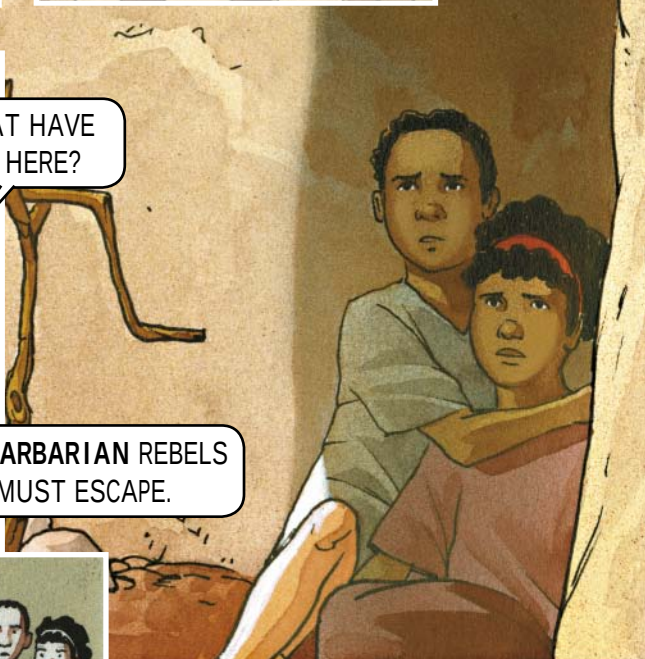


...BUT THE ROMANS
WERE INVINCIBLE.



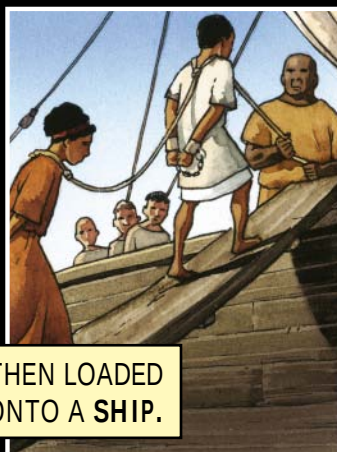
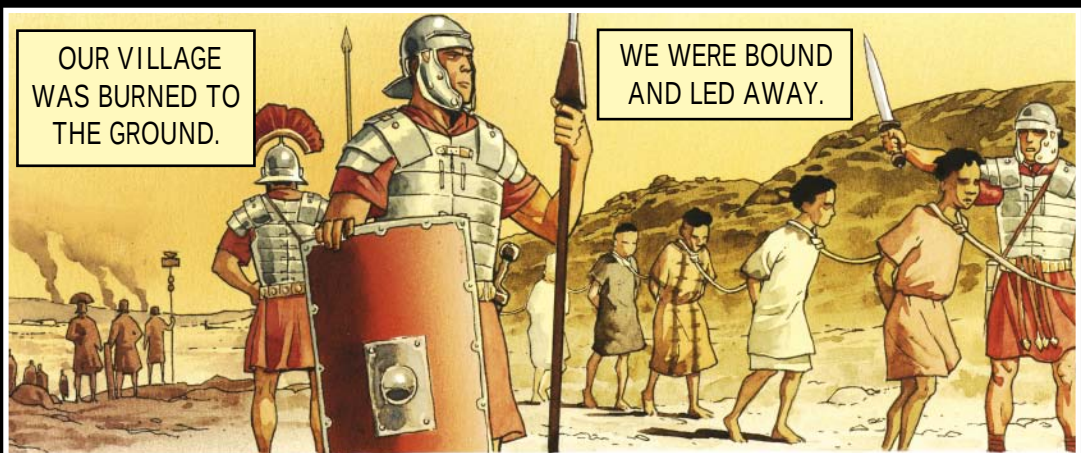
WHAT HAVE
WE HERE?

NO **BARBARIAN** REBELS
MUST ESCAPE.



ORDERS ARE
ORDERS!







ALL WE HAD NOW
WERE TEARS...



...AND MEMORIES
OF HOME...



...AND OF FATHER...



...LYING DEAD ON
A BATTLEFIELD.





THE SHIP TOOK US TO ITALY.

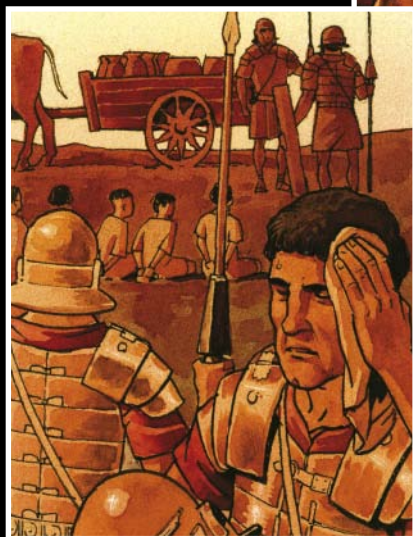


OUR GUARDS WERE FAIR BUT VERY STRICT.



FOOD BREAK!

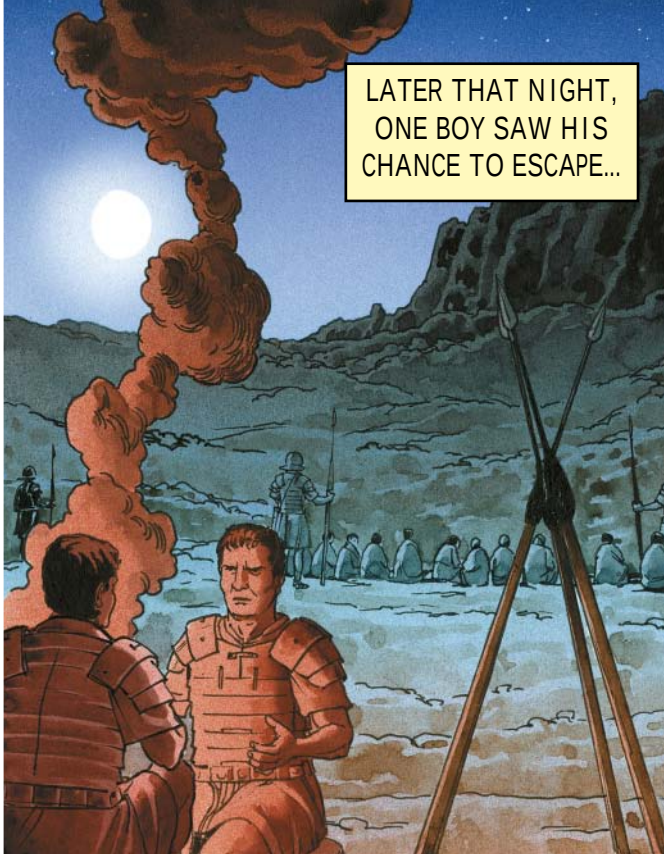
WE'LL CAMP HERE FOR THE NIGHT. DON'T EVEN THINK ABOUT ESCAPING!



WE'LL SEE ABOUT THAT!



SSHH!



LATER THAT NIGHT,
ONE BOY SAW HIS
CHANCE TO ESCAPE...



PSSST!



PUBLIUS,
WAKE UP!



YOU'VE PICKED
YOUR LOCK!

MY DAD IS A
METALWORKER.

I'LL DO
YOURS, TOO.



BROTHER, NO!
IT'S TOO RISKY!



THE BOY JUST
LAUGHED AND
SLIPPED AWAY.

Even so, they could march up to 30 miles (50 kilometers) a day.



PUBLIUS FOUND OUT THE NEXT DAY WHY I STOPPED HIM FROM GOING...



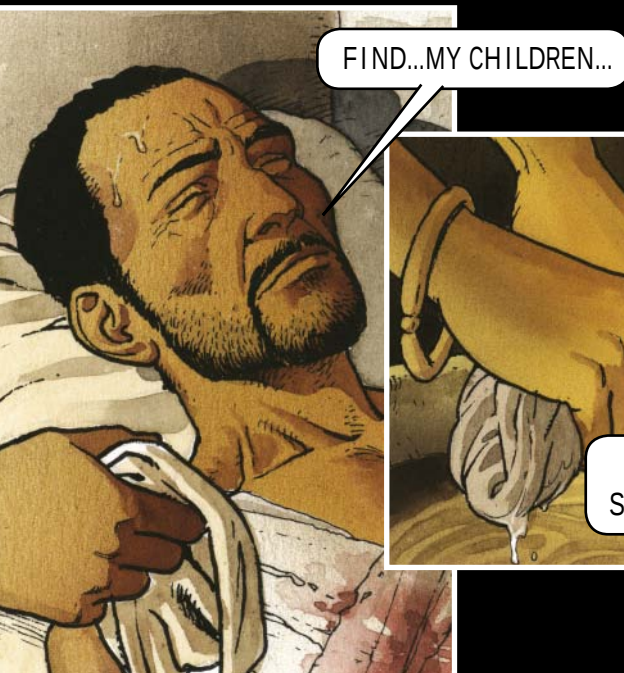
...WHEN THEY BROUGHT THE RUNAWAY BACK.



THE NEXT SLAVE WHO RUNS WILL DIE!

NO ONE ELSE TRIED.

MEANWHILE, BACK IN MAURETANIA...

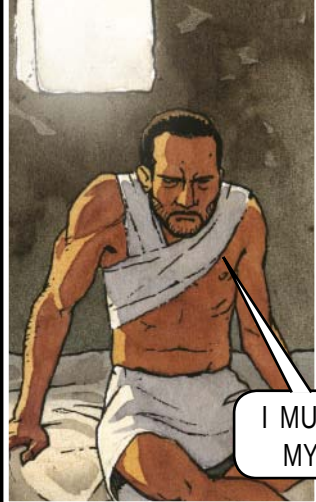


FIND...MY CHILDREN...



YOU NEED TO GET YOUR STRENGTH BACK FIRST, JUBA.

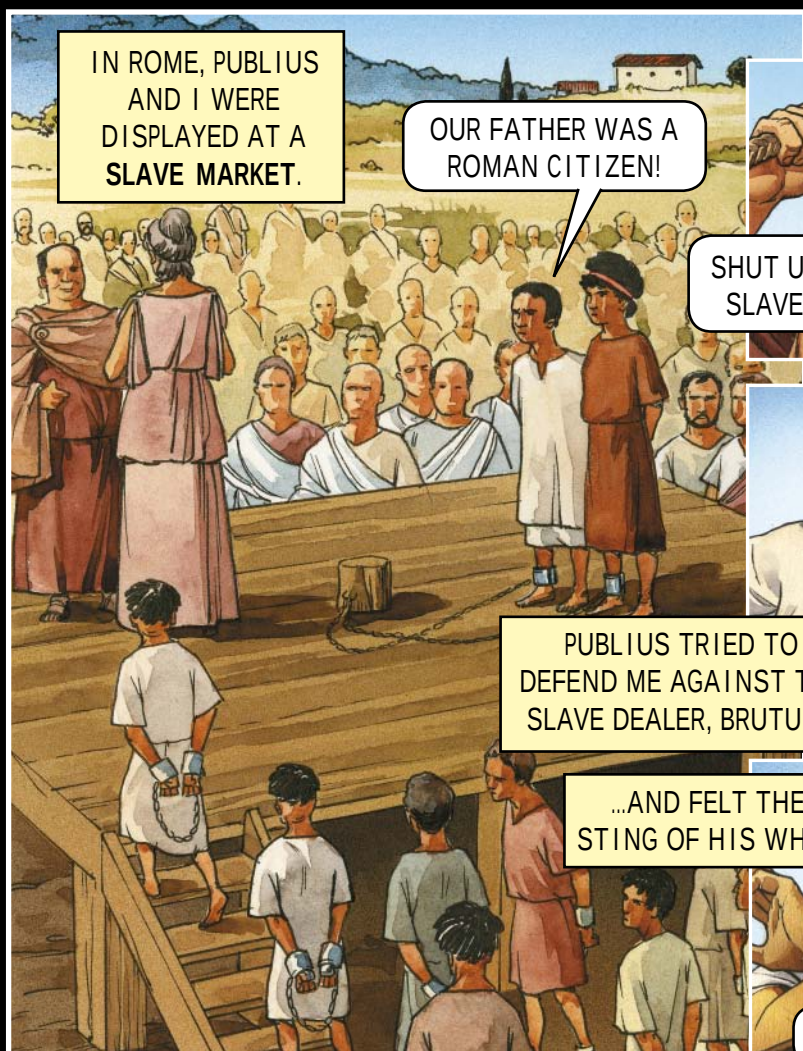




I MUST LOOK FOR
MY CHILDREN!



GOODBYE, JUBA!
GOOD LUCK!



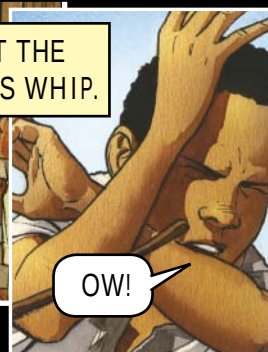
IN ROME, PUBLIUS
AND I WERE
DISPLAYED AT A
SLAVE MARKET.

OUR FATHER WAS A
ROMAN CITIZEN!

SHUT UP,
SLAVE!

PUBLIUS TRIED TO
DEFEND ME AGAINST THE
SLAVE DEALER, BRUTUS...

...AND FELT THE
STING OF HIS WHIP.



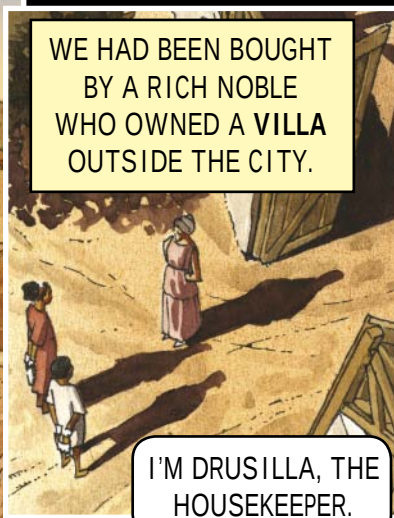
OW!

WE DECIDED IT WAS BEST
NOT TO MENTION
FATHER AGAIN.

NO ONE BELIEVED
US ANYWAY.



WE HAD BEEN BOUGHT
BY A RICH NOBLE
WHO OWNED A VILLA
OUTSIDE THE CITY.



I'M DRUSILLA, THE
HOUSEKEEPER.

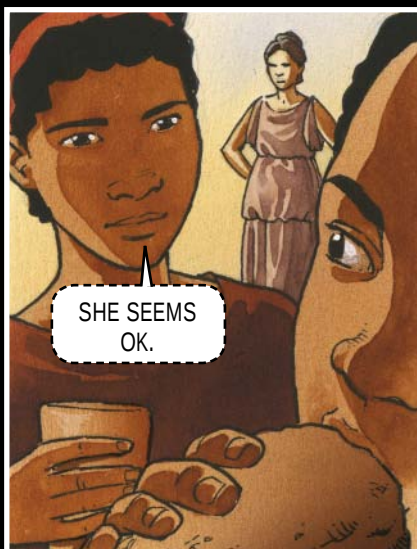
WELCOME,
CHILDREN!



HAVING ONCE BEEN
A SLAVE HERSELF...



...DRUSILLA TOOK
PITY ON US.



SHE SEEMS
OK.

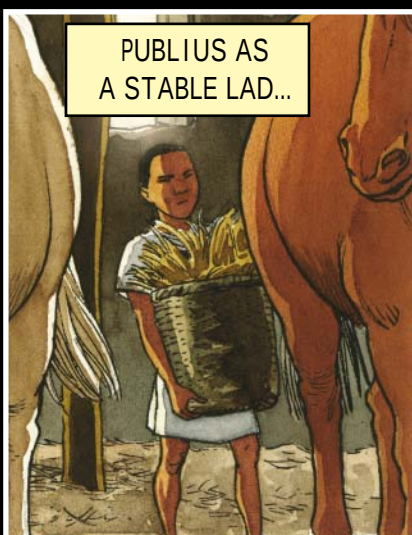
WE WERE REALLY
LONELY AT FIRST.



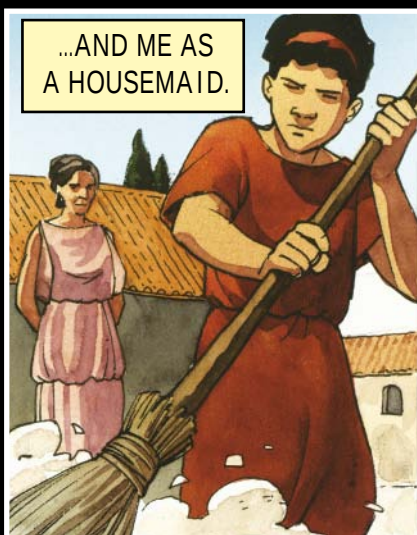
THEY
WORKED
US HARD.



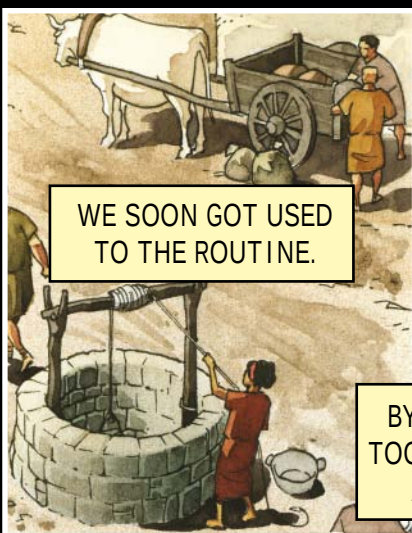
PUBLIUS AS
A STABLE LAD...



...AND ME AS
A HOUSEMAID.



WE SOON GOT USED
TO THE ROUTINE.

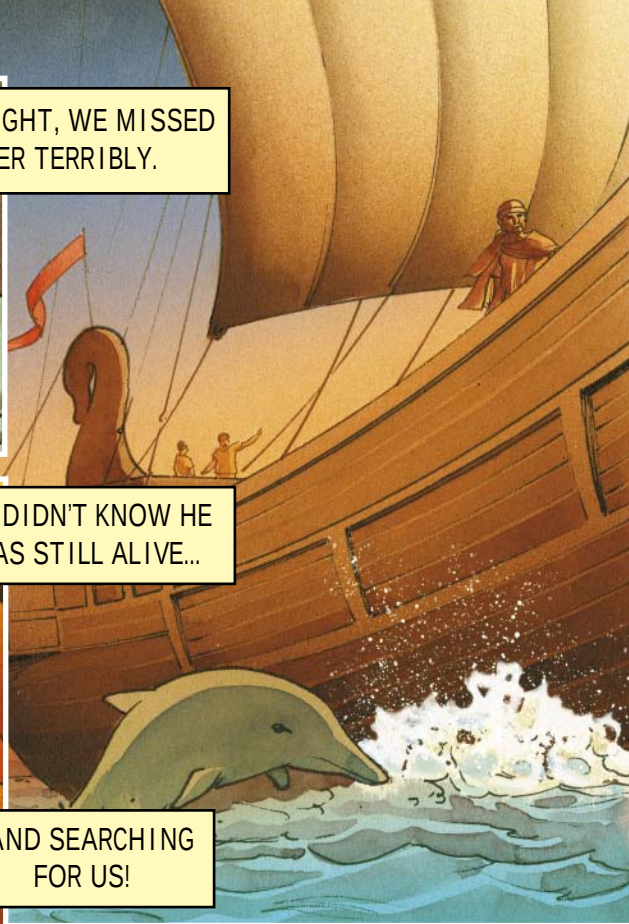


BY DAY, WE WERE
TOO BUSY TO THINK
ABOUT HOME.



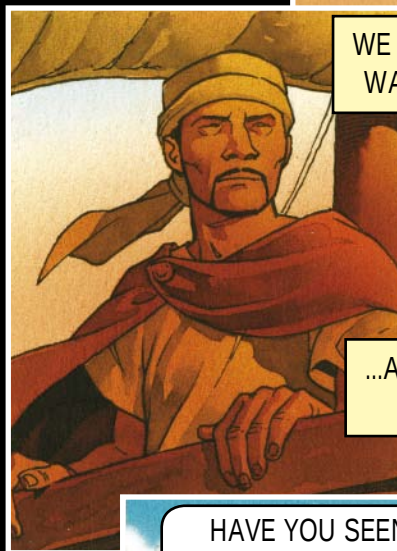


BUT AT NIGHT, WE MISSED
FATHER TERRIBLY.



WE DIDN'T KNOW HE
WAS STILL ALIVE...

...AND SEARCHING
FOR US!



HAVE YOU SEEN ANY
SLAVES FROM AFRICA?



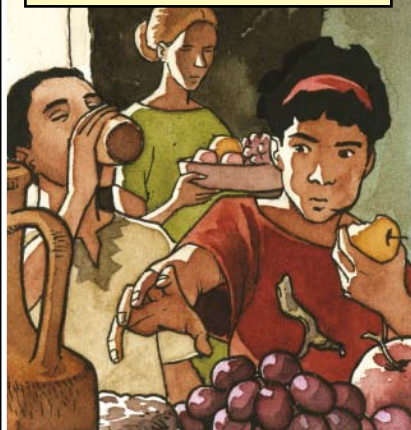
SOME CAME PAST
ABOUT A MONTH AGO.

THEY WERE HEADING
FOR ROME.



IMP CAES
TAEHADRI
ANTONINO
AVG P P
VEXILLATI-VS

DRUSILLA WAS KIND AND
WE HAD ENOUGH TO EAT.



WE JUST HAD TO KEEP
OUT OF THE WAY OF THE
OWNER'S ROWDY SONS.



ONE DAY, THE OWNER
ARRIVED TO CHECK
ON HIS ESTATE.

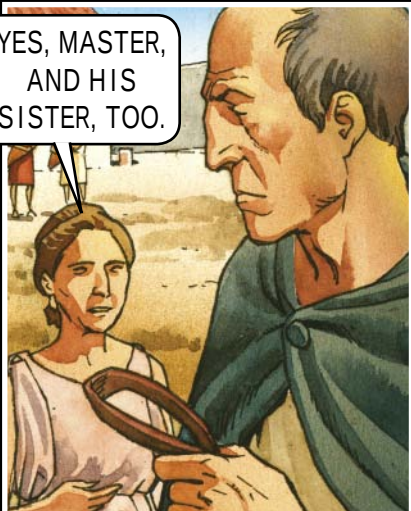


A NEW
SLAVE?

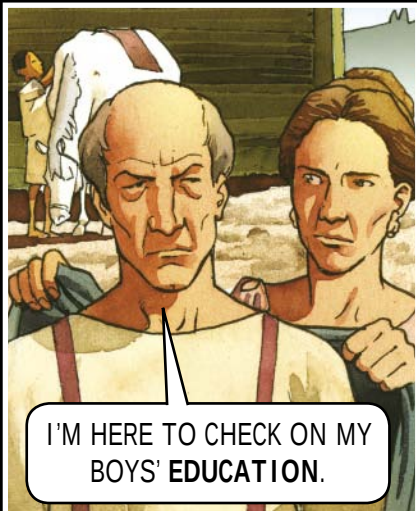
ARE YOU OK,
PUBLIUS?



YES, MASTER,
AND HIS
SISTER, TOO.



I'M HERE TO CHECK ON MY
BOYS' EDUCATION.





THE NEXT DAY, THE
MASTER'S BOYS WERE
AT THEIR LESSONS.



HADRIAN, WHAT
IS A NOBLE'S
FINEST QUALITY?

DIGNITY,
PROFESSOR.
IT...ER...WINS
RESPECT.



HADRIAN TREATED US WELL—
UNLIKE HIS BROTHER...

PRECISELY!

AND REMEMBER,
DIGNITY IS HARD
TO WIN...



...BUT EASILY LOST.



OOOOFF!



ARE YOU OK?

WHAT ARE YOU DOING, HADRIAN?



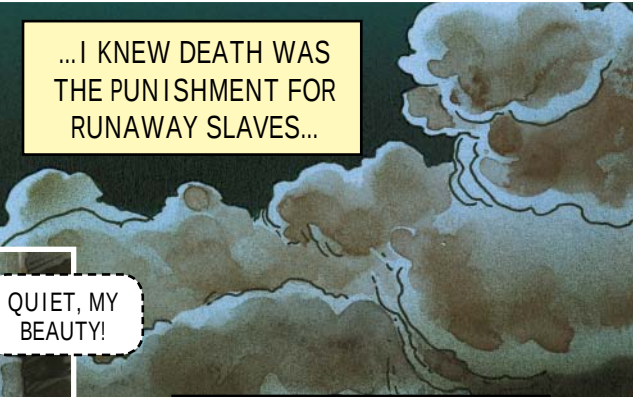
A NOBLE NEVER STOOPS FOR A MERE SLAVE!



I'M GOING TO GET RID OF THAT SLAVE GIRL!



THAT NIGHT...



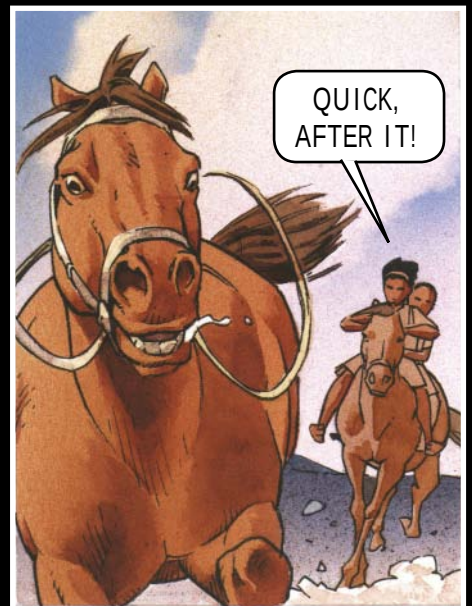
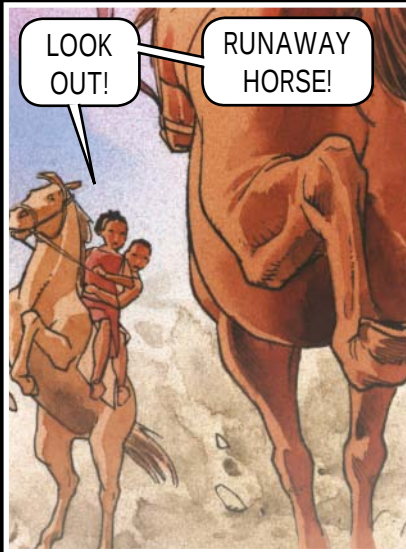
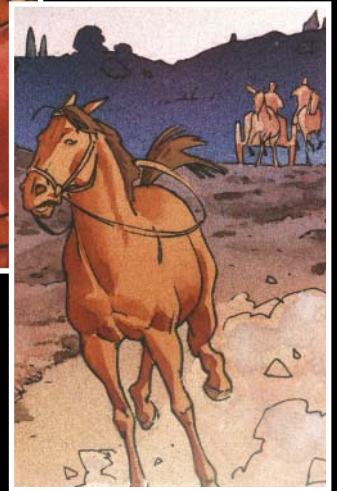
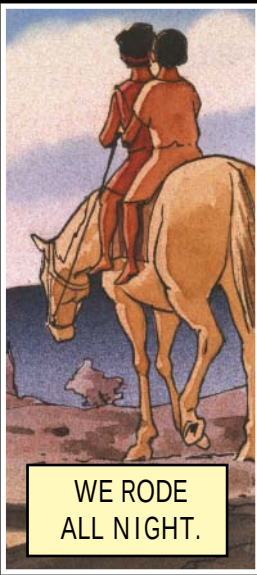
...I KNEW DEATH WAS THE PUNISHMENT FOR RUNAWAY SLAVES...

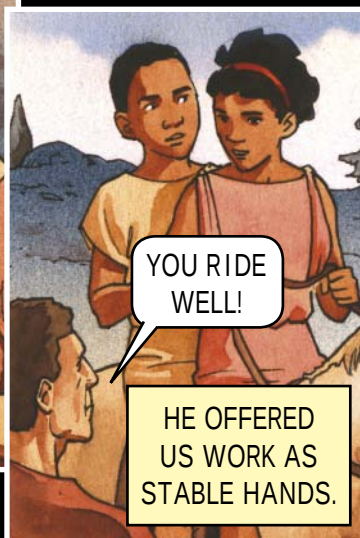
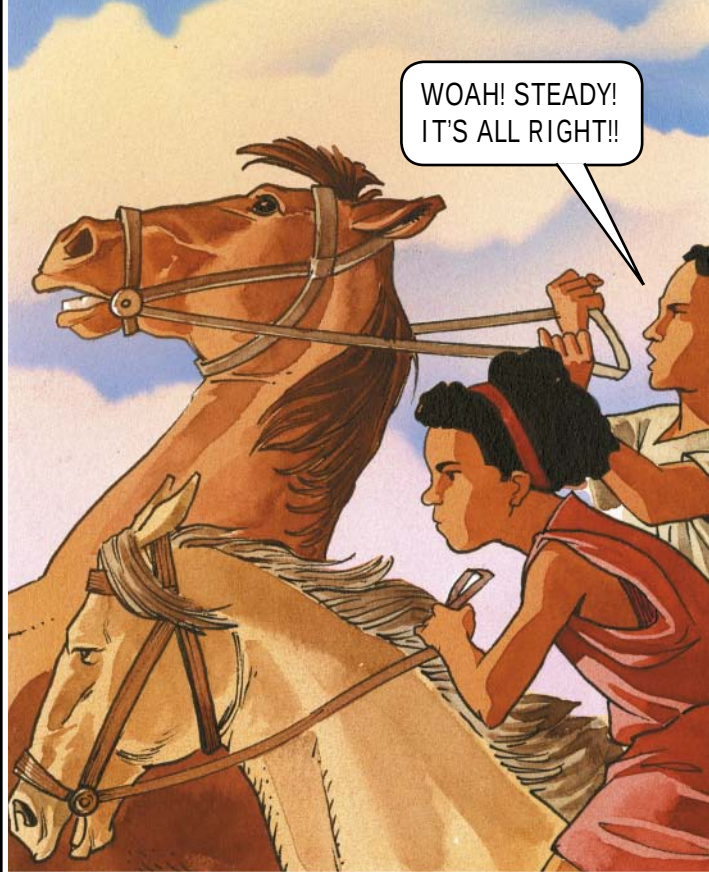


QUIET, MY BEAUTY!



...BUT I COULDN'T LET THEM PART ME FROM PUBLIUS.







WE FOLLOWED THE BLUES
TO THEIR STABLES.



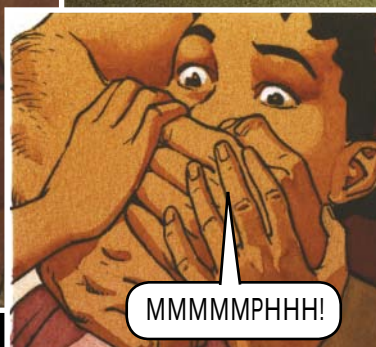
NOW, HOW DID
THOSE TWO
GET HERE?



COME ON,
BOY!



BUT SUDDENLY...



MMMMMPHHH!



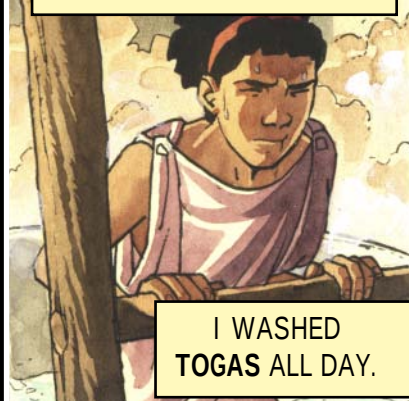
HERE THEY
ARE, BRUTUS!

ESCAPED, EH?

DON'T TRY TO
DENY IT!

YOU KNOW DEATH IS THE
FATE OF RUNAWAY SLAVES!

INSTEAD OF KILLING US,
BRUTUS SOLD US TO
A LAUNDRY OWNER.



I WASHED
TOGAS ALL DAY.

PUBLIUS WORKED
BLEACHING CLOTHES.

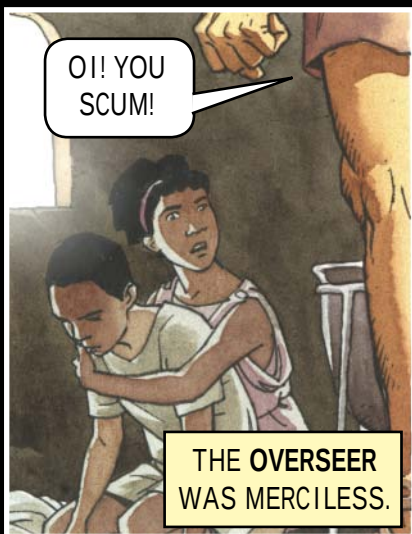


THE FUMES WERE
POISONOUS.



PUBLIUS OFTEN
PASSED OUT.

O!! YOU
SCUM!

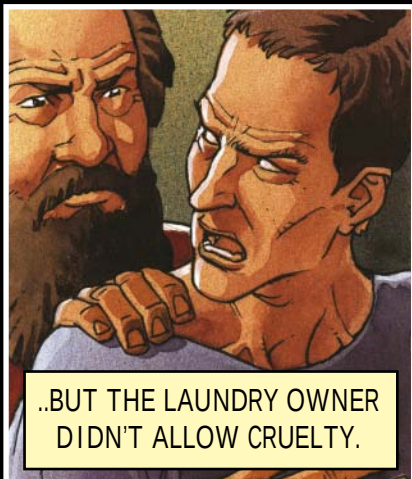


THE **OVERSEER**
WAS MERCILESS.

HE WOULD HAVE
BEATEN US...



..BUT THE LAUNDRY OWNER
DIDN'T ALLOW CRUELTY.



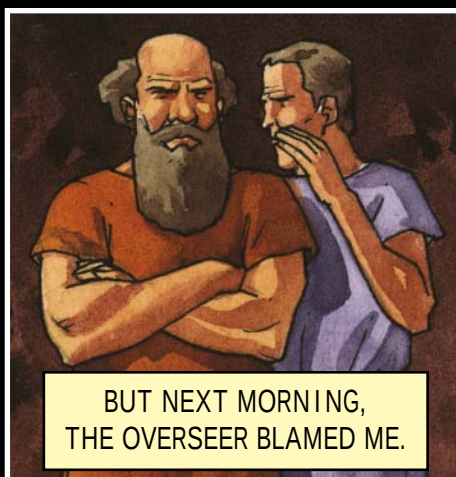


WE SLEPT AT
THE LAUNDRY.

THEN, ONE NIGHT WE WERE
WOKEN BY A STRANGE SOUND.



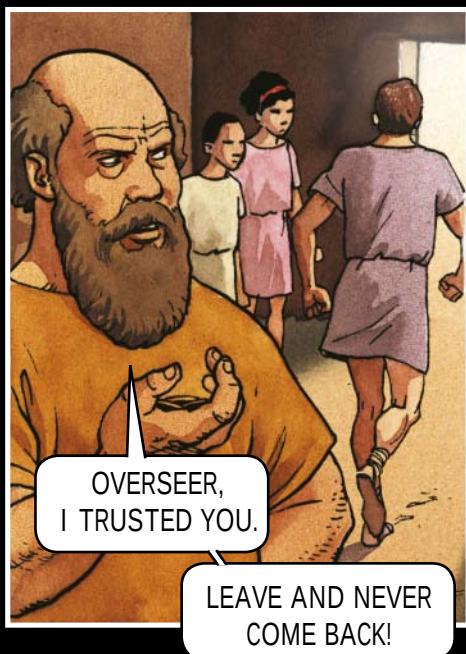
IT'S THE OVERSEER!
HE'S A THIEF!



BUT NEXT MORNING,
THE OVERSEER BLAMED ME.

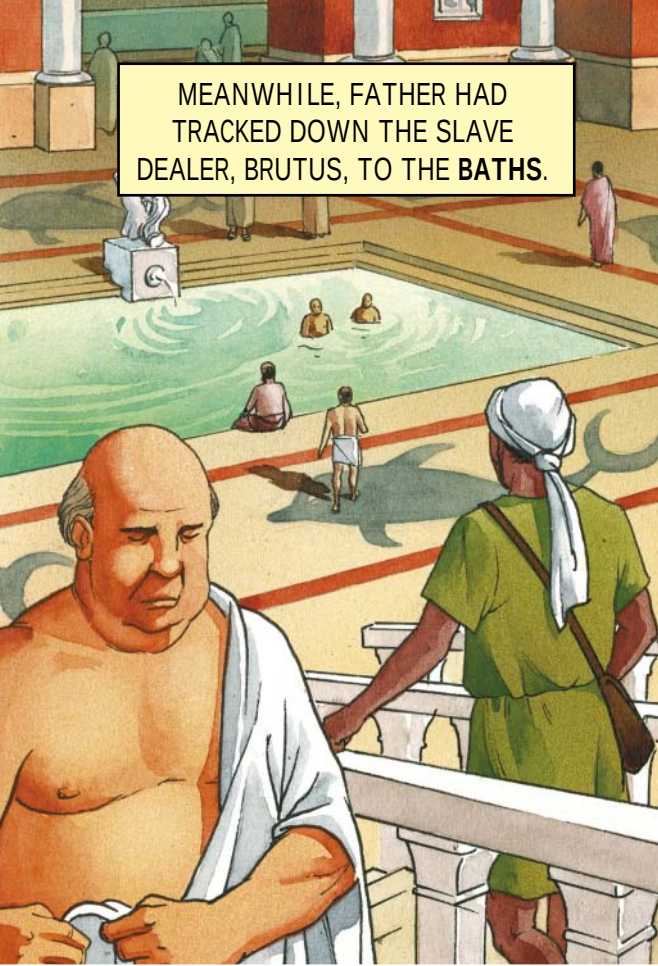


NO! IT WAS HIM!
HE'S A THIEF! LOOK!



BUT LATER, THE OVERSEER RETURNED WITH SOME GUARDS.





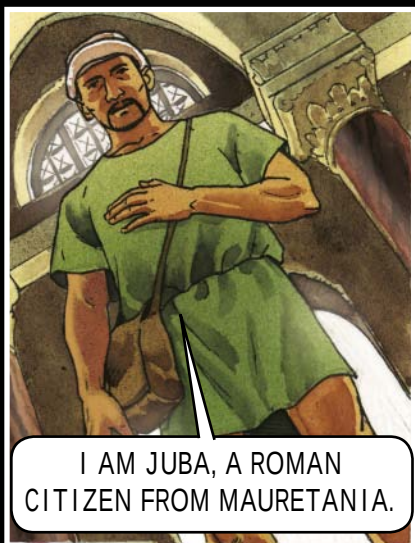
MEANWHILE, FATHER HAD TRACKED DOWN THE SLAVE DEALER, BRUTUS, TO THE BATHS.



BRUTUS, THE SLAVE DEALER?



WHO ARE YOU?

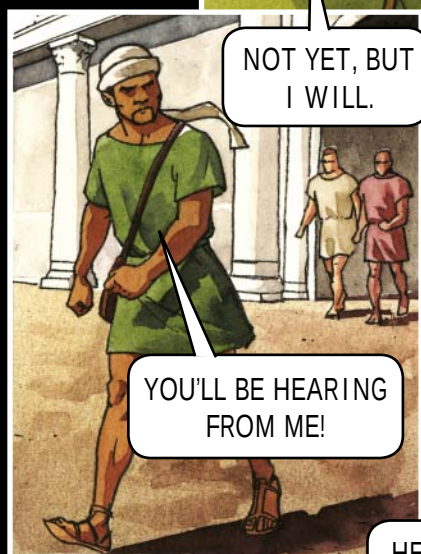
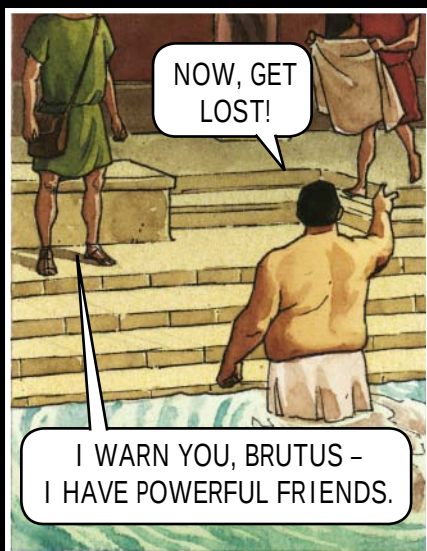


I AM JUBA, A ROMAN CITIZEN FROM MAURETANIA.



I BELIEVE YOU SOLD MY CHILDREN.

I DON'T KNOW WHAT YOU'RE TALKING ABOUT.





THAT'S HIM!



CRACK!



PUT HIM IN THE CART!



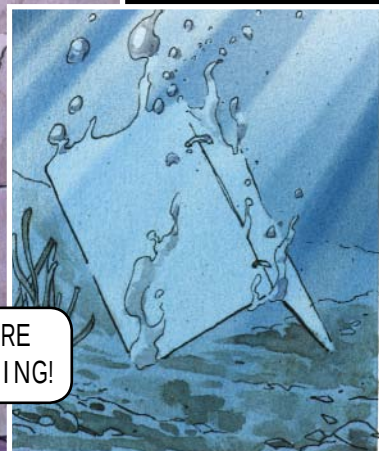
BRUTUS HAS GOT PLANS FOR HIM!



WHAT ABOUT HIS DOCUMENTS?



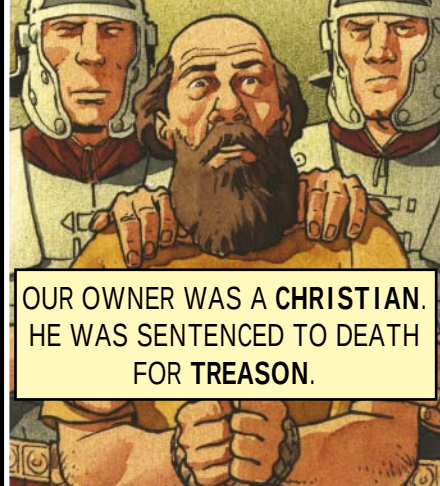
HE WON'T NEED THEM...



...WHERE HE'S GOING!



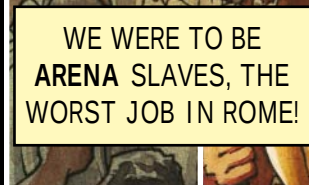
WE WERE BROUGHT BEFORE
A **MAGISTRATE**.



OUR OWNER WAS A **CHRISTIAN**.
HE WAS SENTENCED TO DEATH
FOR **TREASON**.



HIS SLAVES WERE SENT TO
THE **COLOSSEUM**.



WE WERE TO BE
ARENA SLAVES, THE
WORST JOB IN ROME!



AFTER THE **GLADIATOR**
FIGHTS...



...WE CLEANED UP.



GET A MOVE ON!
THE PRISONERS
ARE ON NEXT!



WE WERE NO
BETTER THAN THE
ARENA BEASTS...



...WAITING FOR DEATH.



WE WISHED FATHER
WAS ALIVE...

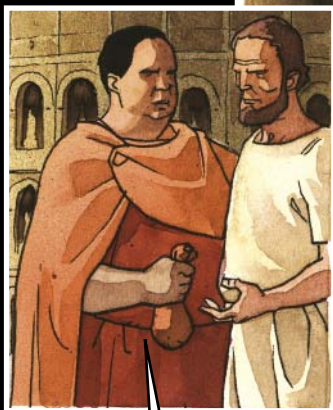
...TO SAVE US!



BRUTUS!



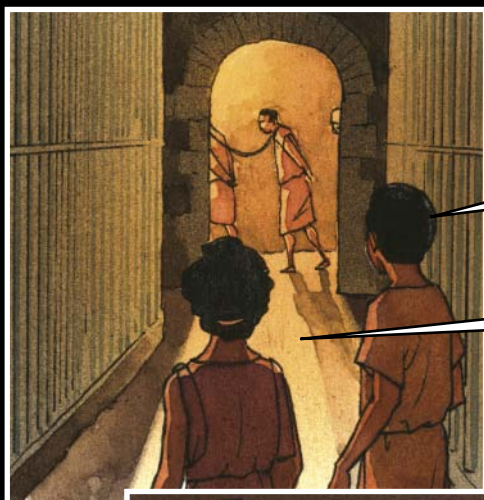
YOU'LL NEVER GET
AWAY WITH THIS!



HERE'S THE MONEY.

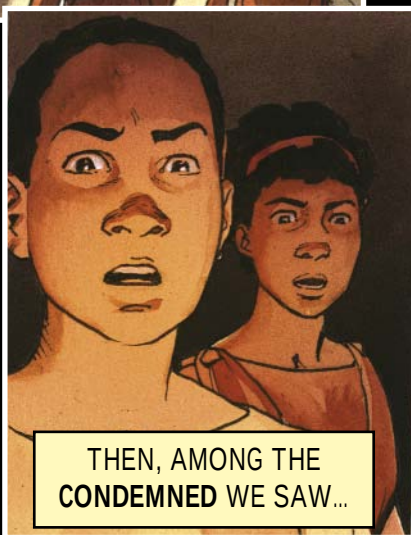


MAKE SURE HE'S ON THE
NOON EXECUTION LIST!



IT'S THE PRISONERS
FOR EXECUTION!

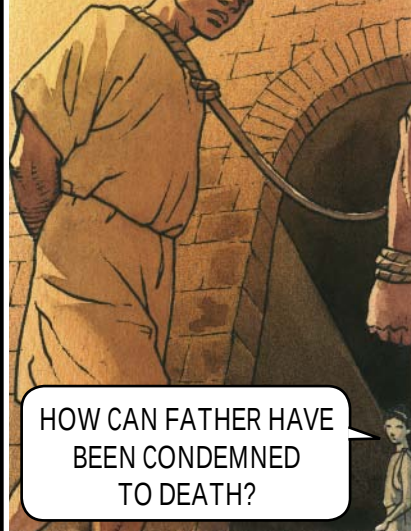
POOR WRETCHES!



THEN, AMONG THE
CONDEMNED WE SAW ...



...FATHER!



WE HAD OPENED
THE LIONS' CAGE.

THE LIONS RAN
TOWARD THE ARENA.



PUBLIUS RUSHED TO
TRY TO SAVE FATHER.



PUBLIUS?!!



OH, MY SON!
MY SON!





BUT OUR PLAN
DIDN'T WORK.



MORE GUARDS ARRIVED AND
KILLED THE LIONS.



THEY GRABBED FATHER.



RUN, CHILDREN,
RUN!



THE GUARDS
SEIZED US, TOO.

GET OFF!



THEY MARCHED US
INTO THE ARENA.



WE THOUGHT WE WOULD
DIE A HORRIBLE DEATH.



COURAGE,
CHILDREN!



IS THIS PART
OF THE GAMES,
HORTALUS?



OUR FATE WAS IN THE
EMPEROR'S HANDS!

WHAT DO YOU
MEAN, SIRE?

PREPARE YOURSELVES
FOR DEATH!



STOP! I AM A
ROMAN CITIZEN!



BY THE GODS! IT'S...

...JUBA!



EXCUSE ME, SIRE,
BUT HE'S TELLING
THE TRUTH!



JUBA,
MY FRIEND!

HORTALUS!

HOW DID THIS
HAPPEN?

IT WAS BRUTUS,
THE SLAVE DEALER...



WE WILL
FIND HIM!



LATER...

...BRUTUS PAID FOR HIS
CRIMES IN THE ARENA!



HE MET THE END HE HAD
PLANNED FOR FATHER.



NO!!!



WE WERE FINALLY TOGETHER
AGAIN, AS A FAMILY.

THE END



King Menes
unites Egypt

c. 3100

Beginning of
Greek civilization



c. 1400

Traditional date
for the founding
of Rome



753

3000 BCE (BEFORE COMMON ERA)

2000 BCE

1000 BCE

ANCIENT ROME

The Roman civilization began in the city of Rome in central Italy. The city was surrounded by fertile farmland and became rich and powerful. Rome built up a huge army and began conquering other lands. These lands became part of the Roman Empire, which was at its most powerful in the second century CE.



GLOSSARY

Roman forts were
like small towns

FORT

PAGE 5

The Romans built huge, fortified camps along their frontiers. The job of the soldiers who lived in the forts was to keep invaders out and to make sure the local people were obeying Roman laws.



Stone walls were up to
6 feet (2 meters) thick



Augustus becomes first Roman emperor

27



Rome invaded by barbarians

410

Columbus sails to America



1492

US astronauts land on the Moon



1969

TIMELINE

1 ^{CE}
(COMMON ERA)

YOU ARE HERE

1000 ^{CE}

2000 ^{CE}

CITIZENSHIP

PAGE 5



A Roman citizen had many rights and freedoms. Most citizens were born in Rome and were descended from Romans. Some foreigners, such as Juba, from countries conquered by Rome were given citizenship after serving in the army.

SENATE

PAGE 5

The Senate was a kind of parliament where noblemen met to discuss important issues and run the Empire.

ROMAN ARMY

PAGE 6

Male citizens of Rome had to serve in the army for 25 or 26 years. Most were legionary soldiers.



A legionary soldier

REBELS

PAGE 6

The Romans conquered many lands. The people from those lands who rose up against Roman rule were called rebels by the Romans.



A rebel warrior from Britain

COMMANDER

PAGE 8

The Roman army was made up of legions, each containing 5,500 men, most of whom were legionary soldiers. Each legion had a commander, or leader, called a *legatus*. He took his orders directly from the emperor.

INVINCIBLE

PAGE 11

"Invincible" means "unbeatable." The Roman army was so powerful that for a long time it was almost impossible to beat.

BARBARIAN

PAGE 11

The Romans believed that the foreigners living outside the Roman Empire were uncivilized people. They called them barbarians.



A barbarian from Germany

SHIP

PAGE 12

Roman ships transported goods, soldiers, and slaves around the Empire. The Mediterranean Sea linked Italy to other parts of Europe as well as North Africa and Asia.



SLAVES

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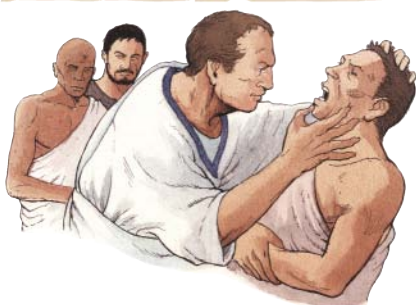
Prisoners of war from foreign lands like Publius and Sabina were often taken



back to Rome to be sold as slaves. Slaves were people owned by Roman citizens or the Empire. They worked hard, usually for no pay, and had no rights. A few slaves eventually gained their freedom.

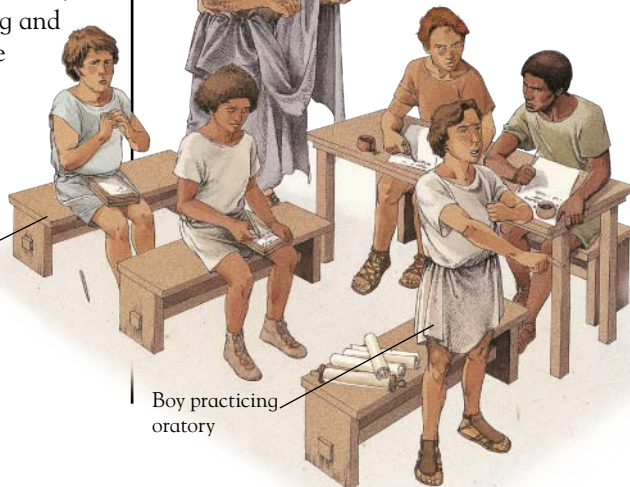
SLAVE MARKET

PAGE 17



Slaves were taken to the market to be sold by dealers—people like Brutus, who made money from buying and selling slaves. Slaves could be expensive, so buyers checked them over carefully to make sure there was nothing wrong with them!

A Roman classroom for older boys. Girls were not usually educated after the age of 11



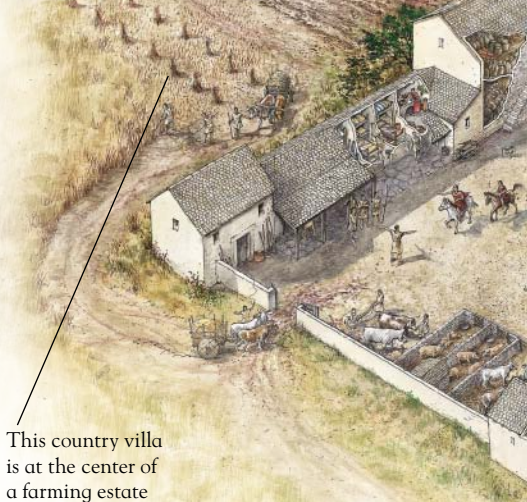
Boy practicing oratory

EDUCATION

PAGE 21

In Ancient Rome, only rich families could afford to send their children to school. Boys were usually given more education than girls. Lessons included reading, writing, oratory (speaking in public), and arithmetic.

Greek schoolmaster—the Greeks were respected as the most learned people in the Empire



This country villa is at the center of a farming estate

VILLA

PAGE 18

A Roman villa was a large country house built around a courtyard. Villas were owned by wealthy Romans as places of relaxation.



Some villas even had their own pools

Slaves worked in the house and on the farm

The noble Roman family stayed in luxurious rooms in the villa

DIGNITY

PAGE 22

The boys' teacher is probably a Greek slave. He is teaching them some of the ideas that Romans had about how to behave. Dignity, which means behaving in a way that will gain the respect of others, was an important quality.

CHARIOT-RACING TEAM

PAGE 25

Chariot racing was the oldest and most popular Roman entertainment. The chariots were light, two-wheeled carriages pulled by four horses that raced each other around a track.

THE BLUES

PAGE 25

By Publius and Sabina's time, there were four famous chariot-racing teams identified by the colors they wore: red, blue, white, and green.

TOGAS

PAGE 27

Roman men wore loose outer garments called togas. They were made of cotton or silk.



The Red chariot-racing team

The Blue chariot-racing team

OVERSEER**PAGE 27**

A person who watches over and directs the work of others.

Some Roman gods and goddesses

**PRAY TO THE EMPEROR PAGE 29**

The Romans worshipped many gods and goddesses. The Emperor was also believed to be a god, and Romans were expected to pray to him, too.

REVENGE**PAGE 29**

Revenge is to do harm to someone in return for the harm that they have done to you. The overseer gets revenge on his master for being fired by him.

BATHS**PAGE 30**

Most Roman towns had public baths where men and women could wash and relax.

DOCUMENTS**PAGE 32**

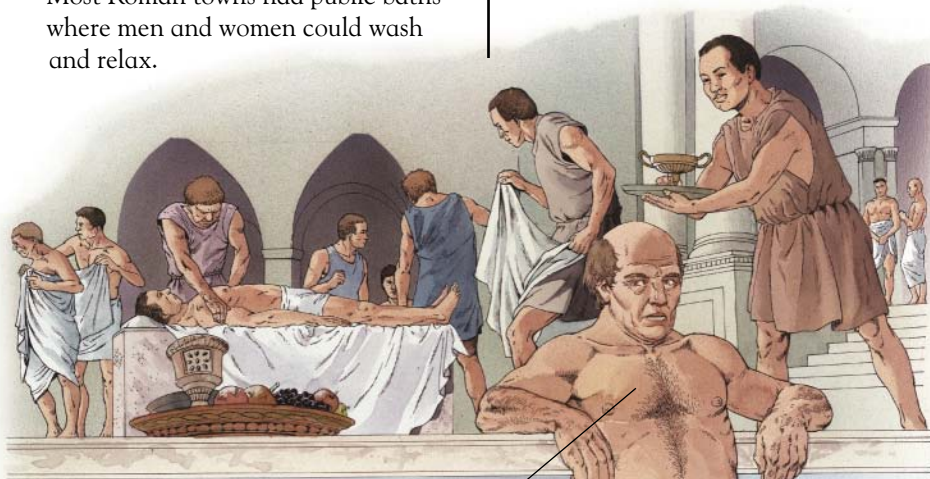
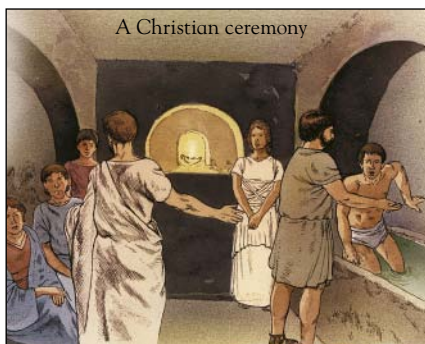
Romans carried written documents that identified them as citizens.

MAGISTRATE**PAGE 33**

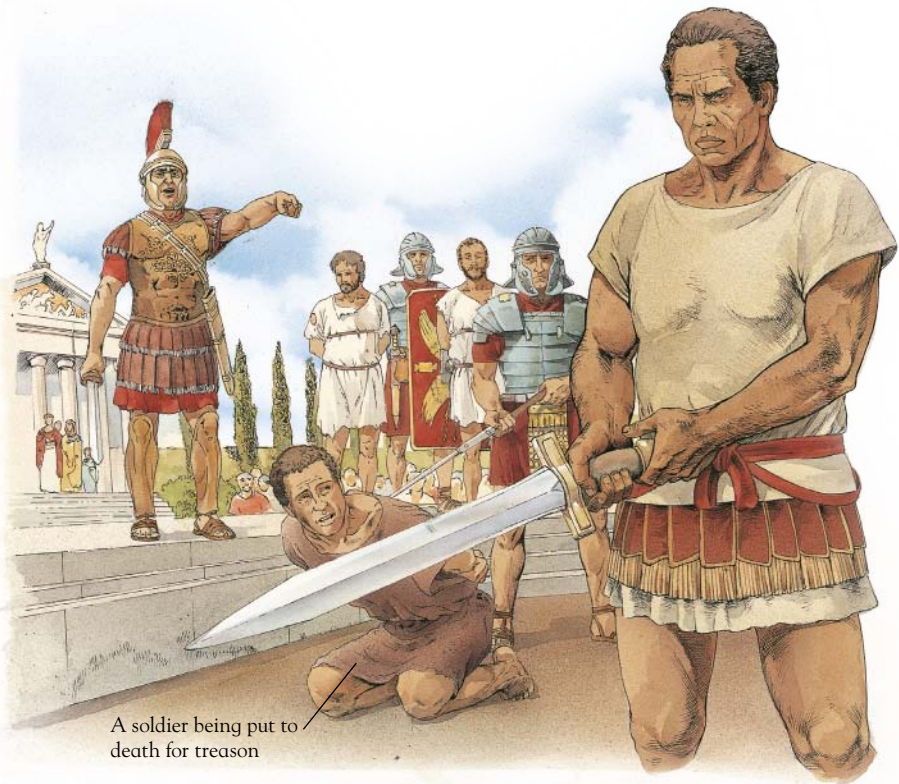
Roman law had strict rules that citizens had to obey. Most crimes were dealt with by officials called magistrates, who decided on the punishment.

CHRISTIAN**PAGE 33**

A Christian believed in the teachings of Jesus Christ, who died around 30 CE. For a while, Christians were put to death for refusing to worship the Emperor, but eventually Christianity became the main religion of the Roman Empire.



Men and women bathed at different times



A soldier being put to death for treason

TREASON

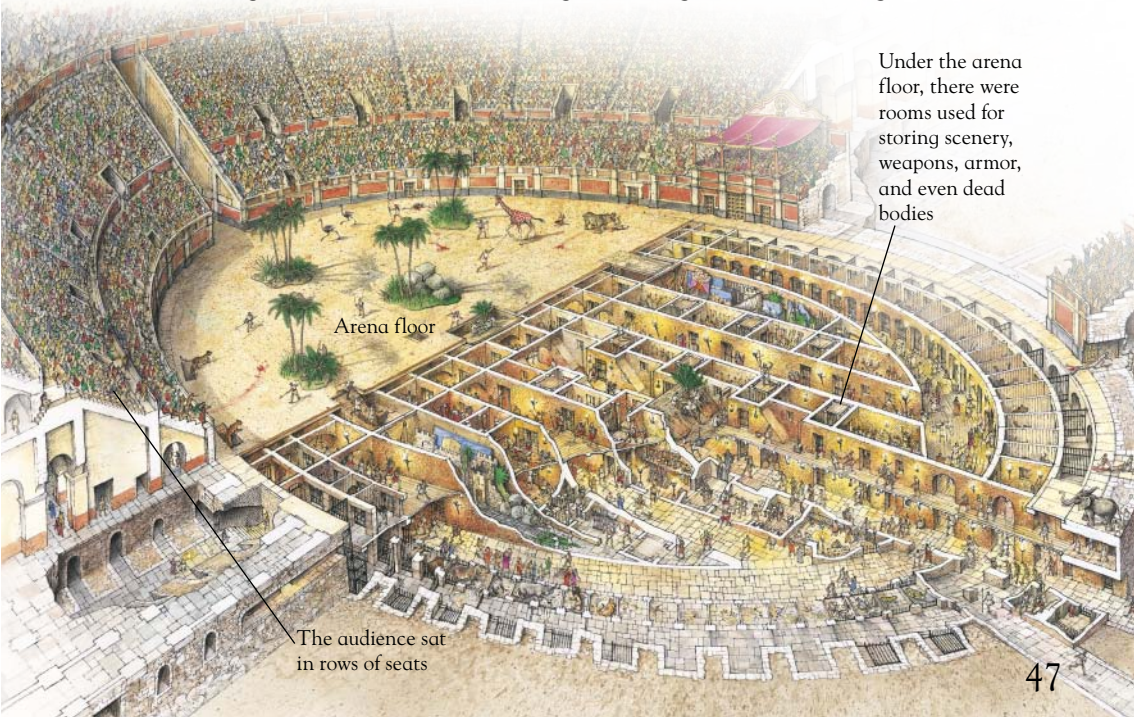
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Treason was the serious crime of harming the Empire and was punished by death. Soldiers who committed treason were beheaded, which the Romans thought was a merciful death.

COLOSSEUM

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The Colosseum in Rome was a big stadium that seated around 50,000 spectators. They watched the entertainment, which included gladiator fights and animal fights.

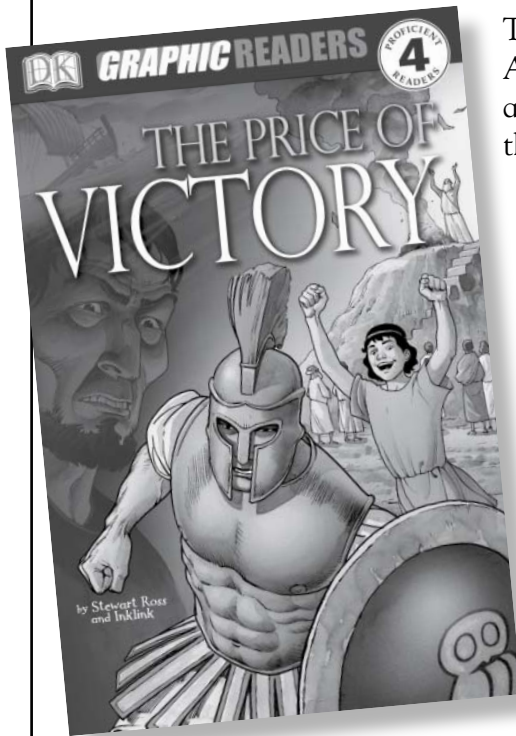


Arena floor

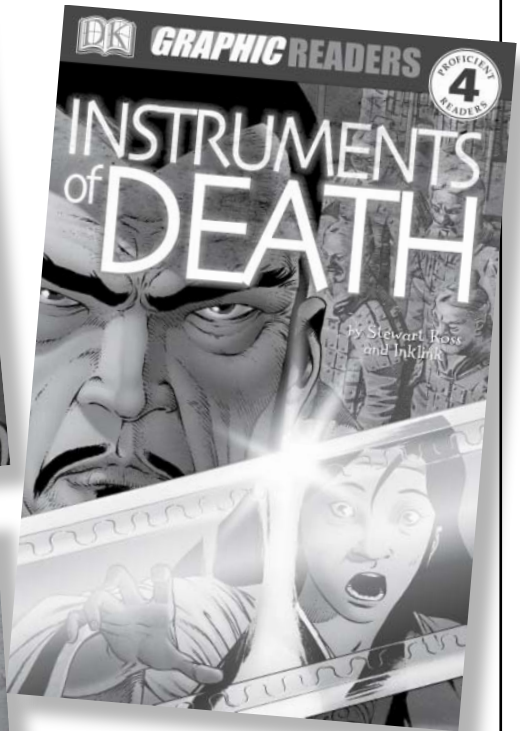
Under the arena floor, there were rooms used for storing scenery, weapons, armor, and even dead bodies

The audience sat in rows of seats

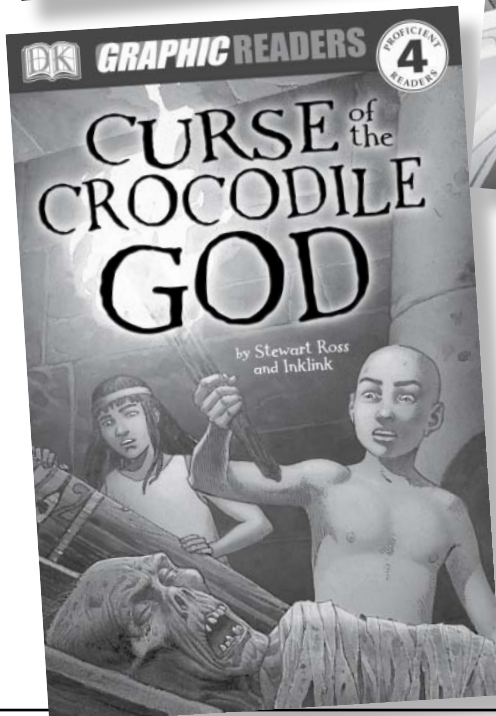
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